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Please amend the claims as follows:

- 1. (Currently amended) A processor comprising
 - a first pipeline configured to execute essential code;
 - a second pipeline configured to execute non-essential code; and
- a conjugate mapping table configured with a plurality of triggers to specify respectively different sequences of the non-essential code to be executed by the second pipeline; and

a microarchitecture structure coupled to both the first and second pipelines to process code from the first pipeline, and to process code from the second pipeline in response to the triggers.

- 2. (Original) The processor of claim 1 wherein the first pipeline is coupled to a first instruction cache configured to cache instructions that determine the logical correctness of a program.
- 3. (Original) The processor of claim 2 wherein the second pipeline is coupled to a second instruction cache configured to cache instructions that provide hints for the execution of the instructions that determine the logical correctness of the program.
- 4. (Original) The processor of claim 1 wherein the first pipeline is coupled to registers that store a microarchitectural state, and wherein the conjugate mapping table is responsive to the microarchitectural state.
- 5. (Original) The processor of claim 4 further comprising:
 - a first instruction cache coupled to the first pipeline; and
- a second instruction cache coupled between the conjugate mapping table and the second pipeline.



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6. (Canceled)



7. (Original) The processor of claim 1 wherein the conjugate mapping table comprises a plurality of records, each of the plurality of records being configured to map a trigger to a non-essential code sequence.

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- 8. (Original) The processor of claim 7 wherein the trigger comprises an atomic value, such that the conjugate mapping table is configured to specify the non-essential code sequence when the atomic value is satisfied.
- 9. (Original) The processor of claim 7 wherein the trigger comprises a vector value, such that the conjugate mapping table is configured to specify the non-essential code sequence when the vector value is satisfied.
- 10 (Canceled)
- 11. (Currently amended) The processor of elaim 10 claim 1 wherein the microarchitectural structure comprises includes a register bank.
- 12-30. (Canceled)
- 31. (New) The processor of claim 1 further comprising a dynamic code analyzer to generate non-essential code from the essential code in the first pipeline.
- 32. (New) The processor of claim 1 where the dynamic code analyzer creates directed acyclic graph trace representations of at least some of the essential code from the first pipeline.
- 33. (New) A method comprising:
 loading a first instruction stream containing essential code into a first memory;

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loading a second instruction stream containing non-essential code into a separate second memory;

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storing a mapping table relating a plurality of triggers to respective ones of a plurality of different sequences of the non-essential code;

processing the essential code from the first memory in a microarchitecture structure until detecting an occurrence one of the triggers; and

thereafter, processing one of the non-essential code sequences in the same microarchitecture structure, the one sequence being specified by the one trigger.

- 34. (New) The method of claim 33 wherein the first and second memories are is a first and second pipelines.
- 35. (New) The method of claim 33 wherein the first and second memories are caches.
- 36. (New) The method of claim 35 wherein the first and second memories are logically separate.
- 37. (New) The method of claim 35 wherein the first and second memories are physically separate.
- 38. (New) The method of claim 33 wherein the non-essential code includes hint code.
- 39. (New) The method of claim 33 wherein the non-essential code includes sequences to perform one or more functions selected from the group consisting of

prefetching essential code into the first memory, testing the microarchitecture, security checking or sandboxing, speculative execution, interrupt or exception processing, and instruction set virtualization.

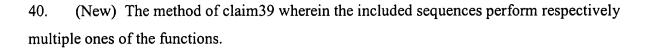


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- 41. (New) The method of claim 33 wherein certain of the essential code is stored in the second memory.
- 42. (New) The method of claim 41 wherein the certain essential code includes sequences for virtualization.
- 43. (New) The method of claim 42 wherein at least one of the sequences virtualizes one or more entities selected from the group consisting of

individual instructions, blocks of instructions, sets of registers, and processor hardware resources.

44. (New) The method of claim 33 where the triggers are selected from the group consisting of one or more of

instruction attributes, data attributes, state attributes, and event attributes.

- 45. (New) The method of claim 44 where the instructions attributes include opcodes, locations, and/or operands.
- 46. (New) The method of claim 44 wherein the data attributes include values and/or locations.

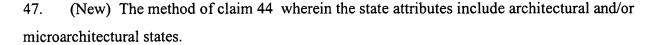


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48. (New) The method of claim 44 wherein the event attributes include interrupts, exceptions, and/or processor state register values.

49. (New) A system comprising:

a processor including

first and second pipelines for essential and non-essential code respectively,
a mapping table to relate a plurality of triggers to a plurality of sequences of the
non-essential code.

a microarchitecture structure coupled to the pipelines for processing the essential and to process the sequences in response to their respective triggers;

memory coupled to the pipelines to store the essential and the non-essential code as separate parts of the same library.

- 50. (New) The system of claim 49 wherein the memory includes at least one cache.
- 51. (New) The system of claim 49 wherein the memory includes one or more of a hard disk, a floppy disk, RAM, ROM, a flash memory, and/or a medium readable by a machine.
- 52. (New) The system of claim 49 where the memory sores the essential and non-essential code in separate sections of a file.
- 53. (New) The system of claim 52 where the essential and nonessential code reside in a static file.
- 54. (New) The system of claim 52 where the nonessential code resides at least partly in a run-time library.

